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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Charlottesville Division

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BLAINE HARRINGTON,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No.: 3:16-CV-00084

AFRICAN AMERICAN MATCHMAKING,

Defendant.

## DECLARATION OF DAVID C. DEAL

- I, DAVID C. DEAL state the following:
- 1. I am over the age of eighteen (18) and otherwise competent to testify.
- 2. I am the attorney for Plaintiff, Blaine Harrington ("Harrington") in the above-styled case.
- 3. Plaintiff filed Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of Final Judgment by Default Against

  Defendant African American Matchmaking ("AAM") and Incorporated Memorandum of

  Law ("Motion for Entry") in the above-styled case on March 30, 2017 [ECF No. 8].
- 4. In the above-mentioned Motion for Entry of Final Judgment, Plaintiff requested entry of a final judgment in favor of Harrington for \$15,750.00. [ECF No. 8].
- 5. AAM copied and posted "BER-01-19-02.jpg," ("Copyrighted Photograph") the photograph at issue in this case to seven distinct URLs. [Complaint ¶ 9, Ex. C].
- 6. Statutory damages are applicable in this case based on Plaintiff's timely registration of the Copyrighted Photograph. [Complaint ¶8, Ex. B].

- 7. Copyright infringement may be considered willful when a defendant defaults and decides not to defend against the action. [ECF No. 8, Motion for Entry IV(B)(1)].
- 8. Statutory damages serve the dual purpose of punishing and deterring the infringer while compensating the copyright holder for the infringement. [ECF No. 8, Motion for Entry IV(B)(1)].
- 9. The court has wide discretion in determining the amount of statutory damages to be awarded within the ranges provided by 17 U.S.C. § 405(c)(1)-(2). [ECF No. 8]
- 10. Triple minimum statutory damages of \$750.00 is \$2,250.00. \$2,250.00 multiplied seven times for each of the seven distinct URLs totals \$15,750.00.

I swear of affirm the foregoing is true and correct under penalties of perjury.

DATED: May 3, 2017

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